



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Scott M. Hartley et al.

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For: PRE-PROCESSED WORKPIECE HAVING A  
SURFACE DEPOSITION OF ABSORBER  
DYE RENDERING THE WORKPIECE WELD-  
ENABLED

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF March 14, 2006**

Sir:

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed March 14, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.